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Applicant(s): Masaru SUDO et al

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This Amendment is being filed concurrently with an RCE in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 12, 2004, the term for response to which is extended by one month by Petition filed concurrently herewith to November 12, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-45 are canceled; and claims 46-51 are added.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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